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To: State Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Secretary, Department of Natural Resources
of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
Governor of Guam
Governor of U.S. Virgin Islands
Governor of American Samoa
Governor of Commonwealth of the North Mariana Islands
Mayor of the District of Columbia

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that we have approved the funding of 37 Landowner Incentive Program (LIP) Tier 1 proposals and 17 LIP Tier 2 proposals. An enclosed table lists the approved proposals.

We received proposals requesting over \$33.8 million from 44 States and the U.S. Virgin Islands. We will use all funds available in fiscal year 2006 to make these awards.

Tier 1 grants emphasize program infrastructure and have a cap of \$180,000. Tier 2 grants focus on program implementation, and in combination with a Tier 1 grant, have a cap of \$945,760 or 5 percent of total funds available.

Our staff in the Regional Divisions of Federal Assistance are available to help applicants whose grants were not selected, identify ways to make their applications more competitive. States receiving awards should contact Service staff in the Division of Federal Assistance in their respective Regions.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact Rowan Gould, Assistant Director for Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration at (202) 208-1050.

Sincerely,

DIRECTOR

Enclosure

**Landowner Incentive Program Awards
Tier 1 and Tier 2
FY 2006**

State	Tier 1	Tier 2
Alabama	\$ 0	\$ 856,750
Alaska	179,954	0
Arizona	180,000	765,760
Arkansas	0	0
California	0	0
Colorado	0	945,760
Connecticut	180,000	0
Delaware	180,000	0
Florida	180,000	0
Georgia	0	0
Hawaii	0	0
Idaho	180,000	765,760
Illinois	180,000	765,760
Indiana	180,000	0
Iowa	180,000	0
Kansas	180,000	500,000
Kentucky	180,000	0
Louisiana		
Maine	180,000	765,760
Maryland	180,000	765,000
Massachusetts	180,000	0
Michigan	180,000	765,760
Minnesota	108,488	0
Mississippi	180,000	0
Missouri	180,000	0
Montana	180,000	0
Nebraska	180,000	765,000
Nevada	180,000	436,800
New Hampshire	180,000	765,760
New Jersey	180,000	765,760
New Mexico	180,000	0
New York	180,000	0
North Carolina	0	0
North Dakota	0	0
Ohio	0	0
Oklahoma	180,000	0
Oregon	180,000	765,760
Pennsylvania	180,000	0
Puerto Rico	75,000	0
Rhode Island	0	0
South Carolina	0	0
South Dakota	0	0
Tennessee	180,000	765,387
Texas	180,000	0
Utah	0	0
Vermont	0	0
Virgin Islands	75,000	0
Virginia	180,000	0
Washington	180,000	765,757
West Virginia	180,000	0
Wisconsin	68,761	0
Wyoming	180,000	765,000
Total	\$ 6,267,203	\$ 12,691,534

Total Tier 1 + Tier 2 **\$ 18,958,737**